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**PETITION FOR REVIVAL OF AN APPLICATION FOR PATENT
ABANDONED UNINTENTIONALLY UNDER 37 CFR 1.137(b)**Docket Number (Optional)
TNCR.001US4

First named inventor: Mehrdad Nikoonahad

Application No.: 10/666,120

Art Unit: 2877

Filed: September 19, 2003

Examiner: Rosenberger, Richard A.

Title: Scanning System For Inspecting Anomalies On Surfaces

Attention: Office of Petitions

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APPLICANT HEREBY PETITIONS FOR REVIVAL OF THIS APPLICATION

NOTE: A grantable petition requires the following items:

- (1) Petition fee;
- (2) Reply and/or issue fee;
- (3) Terminal disclaimer with disclaimer fee - required for all utility and plant applications filed before June 8, 1995; and for all design applications; and
- (4) Statement that the entire delay was unintentional.

1. Petition fee

Small entity-fee \$ _____ (37 CFR 1.17(m)). Applicant claims small entity status. See 37 CFR 1.27.

Other than small entity – fee \$ 1,500.00 (37 CFR 1.17(m))

2. Reply and/or fee

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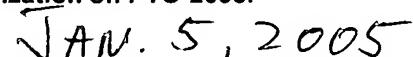
A terminal disclaimer (and disclaimer fee (37 CFR 1.20(d)) of \$ _____ for a small entity or \$ _____ for other than a small entity) disclaiming the required period of time is enclosed herewith (see PTO/SB/63).

4. STATEMENT: The entire delay in filing the required reply from the due date for the required reply until the filing of a grantable petition under 37 CFR 1.137(b) was unintentional. [NOTE: The United States Patent and Trademark Office may require additional information if there is a question as to whether either the abandonment or the delay in filing a petition under 37 CFR 1.137(b) was unintentional (MPEP 711.03(c), subsections (III)(C) and (D)).]

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RESPONSE TO NOTICE OF ABANDONMENT

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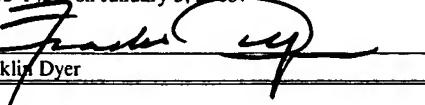
This responds to the Notice of Abandonment mailed on December 9, 2004. In accordance with 37 C.F.R. § 1.137(b), Applicant respectfully petitions to revive the above-referenced patent application.

The U.S. Patent & Trademark Office mailed an Action in this application on March 22, 2004, and the latest due date for filing a reply to this Action without an extension of time was June 22, 2004. A continuation application Serial No. 10/948,814 to the above-identified application was filed on September 22, 2004. A three month time extension to filing a response to the Action for the above-identified application, however, was inadvertently omitted, so that above-identified application became abandoned before the continuation application Serial No. 10/948,814 was filed. This omission is unintentional, and the entire delay from the due date of June 22, 2004 until today's date is unintentional.

A Petition for Extension of Time of three months and the required fee of \$1,020.00 are enclosed herewith to extend the response period to expire on September 22, 2004. The required fee in the amount of \$1,500.00 is enclosed as prescribed by 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.17(m) and 1.137(b), as indicated in the accompanying transmittal letter.

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